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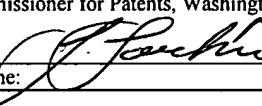
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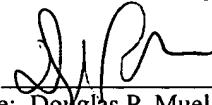
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Dear Sir:

In Response to the Office Action mailed on August 29, 2002, please consider and enter the following amendments and remarks.

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In The Claims

Please amend claims 1 and 4 as follows.

1. (Twice Amended) A LSI layout method for a LSI design by automatic arrangement wiring of standard cells, wherein logic gate cells and power supply capacitor cells are provided as the standard cells, comprising the operations of:

determining a capacitance value of the power supply capacitor cells so as to correspond to a drive load capacity value of the logic gate cells, and

arranging the power supply capacitor cells in a vicinity of the logic gate cells so as to connect a power supply line of the logic gate with a ground line of the logic gate through the power supply cells.